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INTRODUCTION

The Annual Synar Report (ASR) format provides the means for States to comply with the reporting provisions of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300x-26) and the Tobacco Regulation for the SAPT Block Grant (45 C.F.R. 96.130 (e)).

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How the Synar report helps the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention

In accordance with the tobacco regulations, States are required to provide detailed information on progress made in enforcing youth tobacco access laws (FFY xxxx Compliance Progress) and future plans to ensure compliance with the Synar requirements to reduce youth tobacco access rates (FFY xxxx Intended Use Plan). These data are required by 42 U.S.C. 300x-26 and will be used by the Secretary to evaluate State compliance with the statute. Part of the mission of the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) is to assist States¹ by supporting Synar activities and providing technical assistance helpful in determining the type of enforcement measures and control strategies that are most effective. This information is helpful to CSAP in improving technical assistance resources and expertise on enforcement efforts and tobacco control program support activities, including State Synar Program support services, through an enhanced technical assistance program involving conferences and workshops, development of training materials and guidance documents, and on-site technical assistance consultation.

How the Synar report can help States

The information gathered for the Synar report can help States describe and analyze sub-State needs for program enhancements. These data can also be used to report to the State legislature and other State and local organizations on progress made to date in enforcing youth tobacco access laws when aggregated statistical data from State Synar reports can demonstrate to the Secretary the national progress in reducing youth tobacco access problems. This information will also provide Congress with a better understanding of State progress in implementing Synar, including State difficulties and successes in enforcing retailer compliance with youth tobacco access laws.

¹The term State is used to refer to all the States and territories required to comply with Synar as part of the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Program requirements (42 U.S.C. 300x-64 and 45 C.F.R. 96.121).

Getting assistance in completing the Synar report

If you have questions about programmatic issues, you may call CSAP's Division of State Programs at (240) 276-2413 and ask for your respective State Project Officer, or contact your State Project Officer directly by telephone or e-mail using the directory provided. If you have questions about fiscal or grants management issues, you may call the Grants Management Officer, Office of Program Services, Division of Grants Management, at (240) 276-1404.

Where and when to submit the Synar report

The Annual Synar Report (ASR) must be received by SAMHSA no later than December 31, 2007. The ASR must be submitted in the **approved OMB report format**. Use of the approved format will avoid delays in the review and approval process. The chief executive officer (or an authorized designee) of the applicant organization must sign page 1 of the ASR certifying that the State has complied with all reporting requirements.

Submit one signed original of the report, one additional copy, and an electronic version on either CD-ROM or 3.5" diskette to the Grants Management Officer at the address below:

Grants Management Officer
Office of Program Services, Division of Grants Management
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Regular Mail:

1 Choke Cherry Road, Rm.7-1103
Rockville, Maryland 20857

Overnight Mail:

1 Choke Cherry Road, Rm.7-1103
Rockville, Maryland 20850

FFY 2008: FUNDING AGREEMENTS/CERTIFICATIONS

The following form must be signed by the Chief Executive Officer or an authorized designee and submitted with this application. Documentation authorizing a designee must be attached to the application.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES ACT AND SYNAR AMMENDMENT
42 U.S.C. 300x-26 requires each State to submit an annual report of its progress in meeting the requirements of the Synar Amendment and its implementing regulation (45 C.F.R. 96.130) to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. By signing below, the chief executive officer (or an authorized designee) of the applicant organization certifies that the State has complied with these reporting requirements and the certifications as set forth below.
SYNAR SURVEY SAMPLING METHODOLOGY
The State certifies that the Synar survey sampling methodology on file with the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention and submitted with the Annual Synar Report for FFY 2005 is up-to-date and approved by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention.
SYNAR SURVEY INSPECTION PROTOCOL
The State certifies that the Synar Survey Inspection Protocol on file with the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention and submitted with the Annual Synar Report for FFY2005 is up-to-date and approved by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention.
State: Arizona
Name of Chief Executive Officer or Designee: Susan Gerard, Director
Signature of CEO or Designee:
Title: _____ Date Signed: _____
If signed by a designee, a copy of the designation must be attached

SECTION I: FFY 2007(Compliance Progress)

YOUTH ACCESS LAWS, ACTIVITIES, AND ENFORCEMENT

42 U.S.C. 300x-26 requires the States to report information regarding the sale/distribution of tobacco products to individuals under age 18.

1. Please indicate any changes or additions to the State tobacco statute(s) relating to youth access since the last reporting year. Please attach a photocopy of the change(s) in the State law(s) if any was made since the last reporting year. (See 42 U.S.C. 300x-26)

- a. Has there been a change in the *minimum sale age* for tobacco products?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, current minimum age: ☐ 19 ☐ 20 ☐ 21

- b. Have there been any changes in State law that impact the State's *protocol for conducting Synar inspections*? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, indicate change (check all that apply):

☐ Changed to require that law enforcement conduct inspections of tobacco outlets

☐ Changed to make it illegal for youth to possess, purchase or receive tobacco

☐ Changed to require ID to purchase tobacco

☐ Other change(s) (please describe): _____

- c. Have there been any changes in the law concerning *vending machines*?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, indicate change (check all that apply):

☐ Total ban enacted

☐ Banned from location(s) accessible to youth

☐ Locking device or supervision required

☐ Other change(s) (please describe): _____

- d. Have there been any changes in State law that impact the following?

Licensing of tobacco vendors ☐ Yes ☒ No

Penalties for sales to minors ☐ Yes ☒ No

2. Describe how the Annual Synar Report (see 45 C.F.R. 96.130(e)) and the State Plan (see 42 U.S.C. 300x-51) were made public within the State prior to submission of the ASR. (Check all that apply)

☒ Placed on file for public review

☒ Posted on a State agency Web site (please provide exact web address):

<http://www.azdhs.gov/bhs/sapt.htm>

- ☐ Notice published in a newspaper or newsletter
- ☐ Public hearing
- ☐ Announced in a news release, a press conference, or discussed in a media interview
- ☐ Distributed for review as part of the SAPT Block Grant application process
- ☐ Distributed through the public library system
- ☐ Published in an annual register
- ☐ Other change(s) (please describe): _____

3. Identify the following agency or agencies. (See 42 U.S.C. 300x-26 and 45 C.F.R. 96.130)

a. The State agency(s) designated by the Governor for oversight of the Synar requirements:

Arizona Department of Health Services, Division of Behavioral Health

Has this changed since last year's Annual Synar Report? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b. The State agency(s) responsible for conducting random, unannounced Synar inspections:

Arizona Department of Health Services, Division of Behavioral Health

Has this changed since last year's Annual Synar Report? ☐ Yes ☒ No

c. The State agency(s) responsible for enforcing youth tobacco access law(s):

Arizona Attorney General's Office

Has this changed since last year's Annual Synar Report? ☐ Yes ☒ No

4. Identify the State agency(s) responsible for tobacco prevention activities.

Arizona Department of Health Services, Tobacco Education and Prevention Program

Has the responsible agency changed since last year's Annual Synar Report?

☐ Yes ☒ No

a. Describe the coordination and collaboration that occur between the agency responsible for tobacco prevention and the agency responsible for oversight of the Synar requirements. The two agencies (check all that apply):

☐ Are the same

- ☐ Have a formal written memorandum of agreement
☒ Have an informal partnership
☒ Conduct joint planning activities
☐ Combine resources
☐ Have other collaborative arrangement(s) (*please describe*): _____

5. Please answer the following questions regarding the State's activities to enforce the youth access to tobacco law(s) in FFY 2007. (See 42 U.S.C. 300x-26 and 45 C.F.R. 96.130(e))

a. Which one of the following describes the enforcement of youth access to tobacco laws carried out in your State? (Check one category only)

- ☒ Enforcement is conducted exclusively by local law enforcement agencies.
☐ Enforcement is conducted exclusively by State agency(s).
☐ Enforcement is conducted by both local and State agencies.

b. The following items concern penalties imposed for violations of youth access to tobacco laws by LOCAL AND/OR STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. Please fill in the number requested. If State law does not provide for tobacco retailer license/permit suspension or revocation, please mark "NA".

PENALTY	OWNERS	CLERKS	TOTAL
Number of <u>citations issued</u>	0	633	633
Number of <u>fines assessed</u>	0	147	147
Number of <u>permits/licenses suspended</u>	0		0
Number of <u>permits/licenses revoked</u>	0		0
<i>Other</i> (please describe):	0	0	0

c. What additional activities are conducted in your State to support enforcement and compliance with State tobacco access law(s)? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Merchant education and/or training
☐ Incentives for merchants who are in compliance (e.g., Reward and Reminder)
☒ Community education regarding youth access laws
☒ Media use to publicize compliance inspection results

- ☐ Community mobilization to increase support for retailer compliance with youth access laws
- ☐ Other activities (please list): _____

Briefly describe all checked activities:

Both Operation Storefront not CounterActs were discontinued.
The new enforcement program is called CounterStrike organized by the Arizona Attorney General's Office.

CounterStrike included placement of advertisements in local county newspapers in 5 counties: Mohave, Maricopa, Pima, Yuma and Yavapai. This advertisements reminded retailers not to sell tobacco to minors.

Following enforcement inspections, non compliant vendors were reported to local County Health Departments. Vendor education still took place at a county level and was implemented by local County Health Departments through contract with ADHS. The local County Health Departments then visited and offered education and/or training classes and often included community specific materials. Subsequent advertising in the same publications following enforcement inspections included a pass/fail list of retailers.

- d. Are citations or warnings issued to retailers or clerks who sell tobacco to minors for inspections that are part of the Synar survey? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- e. If "Yes" to 5.d., please describe the State's procedure for minimizing risk of bias to the survey results:

SYNAR SURVEY METHODS AND RESULTS

The following questions pertain to the survey methodology and results of the Synar survey used by the State to meet the requirements of the Synar Regulation in FFY 2007. (See 42 U.S.C. 300x-26 and 45 C.F.R. 96.130)

6. Has the sampling methodology changed from the previous year?

☐ Yes ☒ No

The State is required to have an approved up-to-date description of the Synar sampling methodology on file with CSAP. Please submit a copy of your Synar Survey Sampling Methodology (Appendix B). If the sampling methodology changed from the previous reporting year, these changes must be reflected in the methodology submitted.

7. Please answer the following questions regarding the State's annual random, unannounced inspections of tobacco outlets. (See 45 C.F.R. 96.130(d)(2))

- a. Did the State use the optional Synar Survey Estimation System (SSES) to analyze the Synar survey data?**

☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, attach SSES summary tables 1, 2, 3 and 4 and go to Question 8. If No, continue to Question 7b.

- b. Report the weighted and unweighted Retailer Violation Rate (RVR) estimates, and the standard error.**

Unweighted RVR _____

Weighted RVR _____

Standard error (s.e.) of the (weighted) RVR _____

Fill in the blanks to calculate the right limit of the right-sided 95% confidence interval.

_____ + (1.645 × _____) = _____
RVR Estimate Plus (1.645 times Standard Error) equals Right Limit

- c. Fill out Form 1 in Appendix A (Forms).** *(Required regardless of the sample design)*

- d. How were the (weighted) RVR estimate and its standard error obtained?**

(Check the one that applies)

☐ Form 2 (Optional) in Appendix A (Forms) *(Attach completed Form 2)*

☐ Other *(Please specify. Provide formulae and calculations or attach and explain the program code and output with description of all variable names.)*

- e. If stratification was used, did any strata in the sample contain only one outlet or cluster this year?**

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ No stratification

If Yes, explain how this situation was dealt with in variance estimation.

- f. Was a cluster sample design used?**

☐ Yes ☐ No

If No, go to Question 7g.

If Yes, fill out and attach Form 3 in Appendix A (Forms), and answer the following question:

Were any certainty primary sampling units selected this year?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, explain how the certainty clusters were dealt with in variance estimation.

g. Report the following outlet sample sizes for the Synar survey.

	Sample Size
Effective sample size (sample size needed to meet the SAMHSA precision requirement assuming simple random sampling)	
Target sample size (the product of the effective sample size and the design effect)	
Original sample size (inflated sample size of the target sample to counter the sample attrition due to ineligibility and non-completion)	
Eligible sample size (number of outlets found to be eligible in the sample)	
Final sample size (number of eligible outlets in the sample for which an inspection was completed)	

h. Fill out Form 4 in Appendix A (Forms).

8. Did the State's Synar survey use a list frame?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, answer the following questions about its coverage:

a. The calendar year of the latest frame coverage study: 2007

b. Percent coverage from the latest frame coverage study: 92.9%

c. Was a new study conducted in this reporting period? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please complete Appendix D (List Sampling Frame Coverage Study) and submit it with the Annual Synar Report.

d. The calendar year of the next coverage study planned: Annually

9. Has the Synar survey inspection protocol changed from the previous year?

☐ Yes ☒ No

The State is required to have an approved up-to-date description of the Synar inspection protocol on file with CSAP. Please submit a copy of your Synar Survey Inspection Protocol (Appendix C). If the inspection protocol changed from the previous year, these changes must be reflected in the protocol submitted.

- a. Provide the inspection period:** From: 3-13-2007 To: 7-13-2007
MM/DD/YY MM/DD/YY
- b. Provide the number of youth inspectors used in the current inspection year:** 23
NOTE: If the State uses SSES, please ensure that the number reported in 9.b. matches that reported in SSES Table 4, or explain any difference.
- c. Fill out and attach Form 5 in Appendix A (Forms).** *(Not required if the State used the Synar Survey Estimation System (SSES) to analyze the Synar survey data)*

SECTION II: FFY 2008 (Intended Use):

Public law 42 U.S.C. 300x-26 of the Public Health Service Act and 45 C.F.R. 96.130 (e) (4, 5) require that the States provide information on future plans to ensure compliance with the Synar requirements to reduce youth tobacco access.

1. In the upcoming year, does the State anticipate any changes in the:

Synar sampling methodology ☐ Yes ☒ No

Synar inspection protocol ☐ Yes ☒ No

If changes are made in either the Synar sampling methodology or the Synar inspection protocol, the State is required to obtain approval from CSAP prior to implementation of the change and file an updated Synar Survey Sampling Methodology (Appendix B) or an updated Synar Survey Inspection Protocol (Appendix C), as appropriate.

2. Please describe the State's plans to maintain and/or reduce the target rate for Synar inspections to be completed in FFY 2008. Include a brief description of plans for law enforcement efforts to enforce youth tobacco access laws, activities that support law enforcement efforts to enforce youth tobacco access laws, and any anticipated changes in youth tobacco access legislation or regulation in the State.

Arizona plans to maintain the target rate for FFY 2008 through continued implementation of its CSAP approved protocols and sampling design. Arizona's plan involves consistent adherence to previous year's methods in sampling methodology, inspection protocol, law enforcement activities, merchant education, community education, media use, and community mobilization. No sampling methodology changes are planned.

A portion of the revenue generated from an initiative that significantly raised the tax on tobacco products will be used for tobacco prevention efforts including merchant education. Merchant education, community education, media activities, and community mobilization initiatives continue to be actively developed and implemented by TEPP and will be shared with CSAP as they occur.

The Department of Revenue Retail List will continue to be updated and will likely continue to be problematic. The list suffers from too many establishments identified that do not sell tobacco products and fails to include many businesses that do sell tobacco.

3. Describe any challenges the State faces in complying with the Synar regulation. (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Limited resources for law enforcement of youth access laws
- ☐ Limited resources for activities to support enforcement and compliance with youth tobacco access laws
- ☐ Limitations in the State youth tobacco access laws
- ☐ Limited public support for enforcement of youth tobacco access laws
- ☒ Limitations on completeness/accuracy of list of tobacco outlets

- ☐ Limited expertise in survey methodology
- ☐ Laws/regulations limiting the use of minors in tobacco inspections
- ☐ Difficulties recruiting youth inspectors
- ☐ Geographic, demographic, and logistical considerations in conducting inspections
- ☐ Cultural factors (e.g., language barriers, young people purchasing for their elders)
- ☐ Issues regarding sources of tobacco under tribal jurisdiction
- ☒ Other challenges (*please list*): No statewide vendor education program

Briefly describe all checked challenges and propose a plan for each, or indicate the State's need for TA related to each relevant challenge:

The tobacco outlet list was updated this year through four methods: results of the previous inspections, information from the Arizona Department of Revenue, and the list of licensed vendors in Tucson.

In the first method, the list was updated using information gained during inspections in the previous year. New businesses found to sell tobacco are added to the list and businesses that no longer exist or do not sell tobacco products are removed from the list. Since compliance inspections were conducted with approximately one third of all vendors statewide, only one third of the entire list is updated using this first method.

The second method is the routine tax stamp inspections by the Arizona Department of Revenue. Although the Department of Revenue conducts inspections on an annual basis, the number verified may change from year to year and in most years does not include a large number of vendors. Therefore, this source provides a limited amount of information.

The final method for updating the list was using the list from Tucson of licensed tobacco vendors. This was a highly accurate list which contributed positively to the Synar list.

As described earlier, TEPP discontinued the Counteracts program in Sept. 2005.

APPENDIX A: FORMS

FORM 1 (Required for all States not using the Synar Survey Estimation System (SSES) to analyze the Synar Survey data)

Complete Form 1 to report sampling frame and sample information and to calculate the unweighted retailer violation rate using results from the current year's Synar survey inspections.

Instructions for Completing Form 1: In the top right hand corner of the form, provide the State name and reporting Federal fiscal year (FFY 2007). Provide the remaining information by stratum if stratification was used. Make copies of the form if additional rows are needed to list all the strata.

Column 1: *If stratification was used:*

1(a) Sequentially number each row.

1(b) Write in the name of each stratum. All strata in the State must be listed.

If no stratification was used:

1(a) Leave blank.

1(b) Write "State" in the first row (indicates that the whole state is a single stratum).

Note for unstratified samples: for columns 2-5, wherever the instruction refers to "each stratum," report the specified information for the State as a whole.

Column 2: 2(a) Report the number of over-the-counter (OTC) outlets in the sampling frame in each stratum.

2(b) Report the number of vending machine (VM) outlets in the sampling frame in each stratum.

2(c) Report the combined total of OTC and VM outlets in the sampling frame in each stratum.

Column 3: 3(a) Report the estimated number of eligible OTC outlets in the OTC outlet population in each stratum.

3(b) Report the estimated number of eligible VM outlets in the VM outlet population in each stratum.

3(c) Report the combined total estimated number of eligible OTC and VM outlets in the total outlet population in each stratum.

The estimates for Column 3 can be obtained from the Synar survey sample as the weighted sum of eligible outlets by outlet type.

Column 4: 4(a) Report the number of eligible OTC outlets for which an inspection was completed, for each stratum.

4(b) Report the numbers of eligible VM outlets for which an inspection was completed, for each stratum.

4(c) Report the combined total of eligible OTC and VM outlets for which an inspection was completed, for each stratum.

Column 5: 5(a) Report the number of OTC outlets found in violation of the law as a result of completed inspections, for each stratum.

5(b) Report the number of VM outlets found in violation of the law as a result of completed inspections, for each stratum.

5(c) Report the combined total of OTC and VM outlets found in violation of the law as a result of completed inspections, for each stratum.

Totals: For each sub-column (a-c) in Columns 2-5, provide totals for the State as a whole in the last row of the table. These numbers will be the sum of the numbers in each row for the respective column.

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RECORD COLUMN TOTALS ON LAST LINE (LAST PAGE ONLY IF MULTIPLE PAGES ARE NEEDED)

FORM 2 (Optional)**Appropriate for stratified simple or systematic random sampling designs.**

Complete Form 2 to calculate the weighted RVR. This table (in Excel form) is designed to calculate the weighted RVR for stratified simple or systematic random sampling designs, accounting for ineligible outlets and non-complete inspections encountered during the annual Synar survey.

Instructions for Completing Form 2:

In the top right hand corner of the form, provide the State name and reporting Federal fiscal year (FFY2005).

- Column 1: Write in the name of each stratum into which the sample was divided. These should match the strata reported in Column 1(b) of Form 1.
- Column 2: Report the number of outlets in the sampling frame in each stratum. These numbers should match the numbers reported for the respective strata in Column 2(c) of Form 1.
- Column 3: Report the original sample size (the number of outlets originally selected, including substitutes or replacements) for each stratum.
- Column 4: Report the number of sample outlets in each stratum that were found to be eligible during the inspections. Note that this number must be less than or equal to the number reported in Column 3 for the respective strata.
- Column 5: Report the number of eligible outlets in each stratum for which an inspection was completed. Note that this number must be less than or equal to the number reported in Column 4. These numbers should match the numbers reported in Column 4(c) of Form 1 for the respective strata.
- Column 6: Report the number of eligible outlets inspected in each stratum that were found in violation. These numbers should match the numbers reported in Column 5(c) of Form 1 for the stratum.
- Column 7: Form 2 (in Excel form) will automatically calculate the stratum RVR for each stratum in this column. This is calculated by dividing the number of inspected eligible outlets found in violation (Column 6) by the number of inspected eligible outlets (Column 5). The State unweighted RVR will be shown in the Total row of Column 7.
- Column 8: Form 2 (in Excel form) will automatically calculate the estimated number of eligible outlets in the population for each stratum. This calculation is made by multiplying the number of outlets in the sampling frame (Column 2) times the number of eligible outlets (Column 4) divided by the original sample size (Column 3). Note that these numbers will be less than or equal to the numbers in Column 2.
- Column 9: Form 2 (in Excel form) will automatically calculate the relative stratum weight by dividing the estimated number of eligible outlets in the population for each stratum in Column 8 by the Total of the values in Column 8.
- Column 10: Form 2 (in Excel form) will automatically calculate each stratum's contribution to the State weighted RVR by multiplying the stratum RVR (Column 7) by the relative stratum weight (Column 9). The weighted RVR for the State will be shown in the Total row of Column 10.
- Column 11: Form 2 (in Excel form) automatically calculates the standard error of each stratum's RVR (Column 7). The standard error for the State weighted RVR will be shown in the Total row of Column 11.
- TOTAL: For Columns 2-6, Form 2 (in Excel form) provides totals for the State as a whole in the last row of the table. For Columns 7-11, it calculates the respective statistic for the State as a whole.

FORM 2 (Optional) Appropriate for stratified simple or systematic random sampling designs.

Calculation of Weighted Retailer Violation Rate

State: _____

FFY: _____

(1) Stratum Name	(2) N Number of Outlets in Sampling Frame	(3) n Original Sample Size	(4) n1 Number of Sample Outlets Found Eligible	(5) n2 Number of Outlets Inspected	(6) x Number of Outlets Found in Violation	(7) p=x/n2 Stratum Retailer Violation Rate	(8) N'=N(n1/n) Estimated Number of Eligible Outlets in Population	(9) w=N'/Total Column 8 Relative Stratum Weight	(10) pw Stratum Contribution to State Weighted RVR	(11) s.e. Standard Error of Stratum RVR
TOTAL										

N - number of outlets in sampling frame

n - original sample size (number of outlets in the original sample)

n1 - number of sample outlets that were found to be eligible

n2 - number of eligible outlets that were inspected

x - number of inspected outlets that were found in violation

p - stratum retailer violation rate ($p=x/n2$)

N' - estimated number of eligible outlets in population ($N'=N*n1/n$)

w - relative stratum weight ($w=N'/\text{Total Column 8}$)

pw - stratum contribution to the weighted retailer violation rate

s.e. - standard error of the stratum RVR

FORM 3 (Required when a cluster design is used for all States not using the Synar Survey Estimation System (SSES) to analyze the Synar survey data)

Complete Form 3 to report information about primary sampling units when a cluster design was used for the Synar survey.

Instructions for Completing Form 3:

In the top right hand corner of the form, provide the State name and reporting Federal fiscal year (FFY2007).

Provide information by stratum if stratification was used. Make copies of the form if additional rows are needed to list all the strata.

Column 1: Sequentially number each row.

Column 2: *If stratification was used:* Write in the name of stratum. All strata in the State must be listed.

If no stratification was used: write "State" in the first row to indicate that the whole state constitutes a single stratum.

Column 3: Report the number of primary sampling units (PSUs) (i.e., first-stage clusters) created for each stratum.

Column 4: Report the number of PSUs selected in the original sample for each stratum.

Column 5: Report the number of PSUs in the final sample for each stratum.

TOTALS: For Columns 3-5, provide totals for the State as a whole in the last row of the table.

Summary of Clusters Created and Sampled				
				State: _____
				FFY: _____
(1) Row #	(2) Stratum Name	(3) Number of PSUs Created	(4) Number of PSUs Selected	(5) Number of PSUs in the Final Sample
TOTAL				

FORM 4 (Required for all States not using the Synar Survey Estimation System (SSES) to analyze the Synar Survey data)

Complete Form 4 to provide detailed tallies of ineligible sample outlets by reasons for ineligibility and detailed tallies of eligible sample outlets with noncomplete inspections by reasons for noncompletion.

Instructions for Completing Form 4:

In the top right hand corner of the form, provide the State name and reporting Federal fiscal year (FFY2005).

Column 1(a): Enter the number of sample outlets found ineligible for inspection by reason for ineligibility. Provide the total number of ineligible outlets in the row marked "**Total**".

Column 2(a): Enter the number of eligible sample outlets with noncomplete inspections by reason for noncompletion. Provide the total number of eligible outlets with noncomplete inspections in the row marked "**Total**".

Inspection tallies by reason of ineligibility or noncompletion			
		State _____	
		FFY _____	
(1) INELIGIBLE		(2) ELIGIBLE	
Reason for ineligibility	(a) Counts	Reason for noncompletion	(a) Counts
Out of business		In operation but closed at time of visit	
Does not sell tobacco products		Unsafe to access	
Inaccessible by youth		Presence of police	
Private club or private residence		Youth inspector knows salesperson	
Temporary closure		Moved to new location	
Unlocatable		Drive thru only/youth inspector has no driver's license	
Wholesale only/Carton sale only		Tobacco out of stock	
Vending machine broken		Run out of time	
Duplicate		Other noncompletion reason(s) (<i>describe</i>)	
Other ineligibility reason(s) (<i>describe</i>)			
Total		Total	

FORM 5 (Required for all States not using the Synar Survey Estimation System (SSES) to analyze the Synar survey data)

Complete Form 5 to show the distribution of outlet inspection results by age and gender of the youth inspectors.

Instructions for Completing Form 5:

In the top right hand corner of the form, provide the State name and reporting Federal fiscal year (FFY2007).

Column 1: Enter the number of attempted buys by youth inspector age and gender.

Column 2: Enter the number of successful buys by youth inspector age and gender.

If the inspectors are age eligible but the gender of the inspector is unknown, include those inspections in the "OTHER" row. Calculate subtotals for males and females in rows marked SUBTOTALS. Sum SUBTOTALS for male, female, and OTHER and record in the bottom row marked TOTAL. Verify that that the TOTAL of attempted buys and successful buys equal the total for Column 4(c) and Column 5(c), respectively, on Form 1. If the totals do not match, please explain any discrepancies.

Synar Survey Inspector Characteristics		State
		FFY
	(1) Attempted Buys	(2) Successful Buys
<u>Male</u>		
15 yrs		
16 yrs		
17 yrs		
18 yrs		
MALE SUBTOTAL		
<u>Female</u>		
15 yrs		
16 yrs		
17 yrs		
18 yrs		
FEMALE SUBTOTAL		
OTHER		
TOTAL		

Appendices B & C: Forms

Instructions

Appendix B (Sampling Design) and Appendix C (Inspection Protocol) are to reflect the State's CSAP-approved sampling design and inspection protocol. These appendices, therefore, should generally describe the design and protocol and are not to be modified with year-specific information. Please note that any changes to either appendix must receive CSAP's advance written approval. To facilitate the State's completion of this section, simply "cut and paste" the previously approved sampling design (Appendix B) and inspection protocol (Appendix C).

APPENDIX B

STATE: _____

FFY: _____

SYNAR SURVEY SAMPLING METHODOLOGY

1. What type of sampling frame is used?

- ☐ List frame *(Go to Question 2)*
- ☐ Area frame *(Go to Question 3)*
- ☒ List-assisted area frame *(Go to Question 2)*

2. List all sources of the list frame. Indicate the type of source from the list below. Provide a brief description of the frame source. Explain how the lists are updated (method), including how new outlets are identified and added to the frame. In addition, explain how often the lists are updated (cycle). *(After completing this question, go to Question 4)*

Use the corresponding number to indicate Type of Source in the table below:

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| 1 – Statewide commercial business list | 4 – Statewide retail license/permit list |
| 2 – Local commercial business list | 5 – Statewide liquor license/permit list |
| 3 – Statewide tobacco license/permit list | 6 – Other |

Name of Frame Source	Type of Source	Description	Updating Method and Cycle
2006 Frame	Originally a 1	This is the list used for the 2006 sample	Annually (ADHS)
New outlets from last years sample	6	DHS conducts a comprehensive sample of 33% of all clusters each year including inspection of new businesses identified which were not in the frame	Annually (ADHS)
New outlets from the Arizona Department of Revenue	6	Inspection list used to inspect outlets for use of the tobacco stamp	Annually (ADOR)
City of Tucson tobacco license list	2	This is a list of vendors which are licensed to sell tobacco in Tucson	Annually (City of Tucson)

3. If an area frame is used, describe how area sampling units are defined and formed.

- a. Is any area left out in the formation of the area frame? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, what percentage of the State's population is not covered by the area frame?

Native American and Military Reservations not included Approximately 2.5%

4. Federal regulation requires that vending machines be inspected as part of the Synar survey. Are vending machines included in the Synar survey?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If No, please indicate the reason they are not included in the Synar survey.

- ☐ State law bans vending machines
☒ State law bans vending machines from locations accessible to youth
☒ State has SAMHSA approval to exempt vending machines from the survey
☐ Other (please describe): _____

5. Which category below best describes the sample design? (Check only one)

☐ Census (STOP HERE: Appendix B is complete)

Unstratified State-wide sample:

- ☐ Simple random sample (go to Question 9)
☐ Systematic random sample (go to Question 6)
☒ Single-stage cluster sample (go to Question 8)
☐ Multi-stage cluster sample (go to Question 8)

Stratified sample:

- ☐ Simple random sample (go to Question 7)
☐ Systematic random sample (go to Question 6)
☐ Single-stage cluster sample (go to Question 7)
☐ Multi-stage cluster sample (go to Question 7)

☐ Other (please describe and go to Question 9): _____

6. Describe the systematic sampling methods. (After completing Question 6, go to Question 7 if stratification is used. Otherwise go to Question 9.)

7. Provide the following information about stratification

- a. Provide a full description of the strata that are created.
b. Is clustering used within the stratified sample?

☐ Yes (go to Question 8)

☐ No (go to Question 9)

8. Provide the following information about clustering

a. Provide a full description of how clusters are formed. (If multi-stage clusters are used, give definitions of clusters at each stage.)

Contiguous zip codes are used to create 128 cluster areas in Arizona, each with approximately 43 outlets based on the list frame. The cluster is defined by its zip codes. A map of Arizona's zip codes combined with the number of outlets in each zip code are used to make decisions on which zip codes are combined to form a cluster.

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b. Specify the sampling method (simple random, systematic, or probability proportional to size sampling) for each stage of sampling and describe how the method(s) is (are) implemented.

The method used was simple random sample of clusters (single stage cluster sample). All outlets are inspected within each cluster including all new outlets found in the cluster area.

Generate N (unique) random numbers and assign one to each cluster. Order the clusters in ascending order of the random numbers. The resulting list is a randomly sorted list of clusters from which clusters are accepted until the first 50 clusters are drawn.

The first 40 clusters in the sample are released to the fieldwork contractors. The remaining clusters are released one at a time, as needed, in the same order as they are selected.

Each cluster entered for inspection must be comprehensively canvassed for all tobacco outlets, which must then be inspected along with the pre-listed outlets. DBHS staff participate as ride along observers to ensure conformance with the comprehensive approach.

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1. Assign new vendors to the appropriate cluster.¶

2. Remove vendors that were identified as ineligible (e.g., no longer in business) during the previous year's survey.¶

3. Reassign to the correct cluster all tobacco outlets that were found to be in the wrong cluster in the previous year's survey.¶

4. Divide clusters that have grown larger than 80 tobacco outlets per cluster.¶

Combine adjacent zip code clusters with fewer than 20 tobacco outlets.¶

6. Conduct final review and delineation of cluster boundaries to ensure that they are well defined and appropriately contiguous for survey purposes.¶

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9. Provide the formulae for determining the effective, target, and original outlet sample sizes.

Effective sample size (ESS) = $p(1-p) / \text{Var}(p)$, where $p = 0.2$ or previous year's RVR and $\text{Var}(p) = (0.03/1.645)^2 = 0.0003326$, which is the maximum variance to meet the SAMHSA precision requirement of 3 percent of margin of error for right-sided 95% confidence interval for RVR.

Target Sample Size (TSS) = (ESS)*(DE), where DE is the design effect coming from the previous year's survey.

Original Outlet Sample Size = (TSS)/Accuracy Rate, where the accuracy rate is obtained from the previous year's survey.

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APPENDIX C

STATE: Arizona
FFY: 2008

SYNAR SURVEY INSPECTION PROTOCOL

Note: Attach a copy of the inspection form and protocol used to record the inspection result.

1. How does the State Synar survey protocol address the following?

a. Consummated buy attempts?

- ☒ Required ☐ Not Permitted
☐ Permitted under specified circumstances ☐ Not specified in protocol

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b. Youth inspectors to carry ID?

- ☐ Required ☒ Not Permitted
☐ Permitted under specified circumstances ☐ Not specified in protocol

c. Adult inspectors to enter the outlet?

- ☐ Required ☐ Not Permitted
☒ Permitted under specified circumstances ☐ Not specified in protocol

d. Youth inspectors to be compensated?

- ☒ Required ☐ Not Permitted
☐ Permitted under specified circumstances ☐ Not specified in protocol

2. Identify the agency(s) or entity(s) that actually conduct the random, unannounced Synar inspections of tobacco outlets. (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Law enforcement agency(s)
☐ State or local government agency(s) other than law enforcement
☒ Private contractor(s)
☐ Other

List the agency name(s): Pima Prevention Partnership; Community Bridges

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3. Are Synar inspections combined with law enforcement efforts (i.e., do law enforcement issue warnings or citations to retailers found in violation of the law at the time of the inspection)?

- ☐ Always ☐ Usually ☐ Sometimes ☐ Rarely ☒ Never

4. Describe the methods used to recruit, select, and train youth inspectors and adult supervisors.

Two Arizona prevention providers with experience in tobacco inspections and working with youth are used to conduct compliance inspections.

Each provider is responsible for recruiting between 4 and 10 16-year-old youth from their prevention programs to conduct inspections. The ethnic composition of the youth typically reflects the ethnic composition of Arizona youth. Age testing is completed for the youth who participate in the study. Supporting documents are collected from all youth inspectors and include birth certificates, age appearance tests, permission slips, current photos, and photo identifications. In every case a parent provides active consent for youth to participate in the project. Youth also sign an active consent form stating that they are willing to participate in the project. Youth are paid for participation in the inspections. There is no reward or penalty for making purchases. No youth is permitted to miss school to conduct inspections.

Adults are recruited from the identified prevention providers as chaperones. Chaperones are responsible for driving the vehicle, navigation, maintenance of youth inspector safety, taking care of youth inspector needs for food and breaks, and for accurate completion of paperwork. Chaperones are encouraged to have a second adult ride with them during inspections to navigate and/or complete documentation.

All providers including adult chaperones and youth inspectors are required to participate in an interactive group training held before inspections commence. Using a standardized curriculum, training objectives are designed to help inspection teams understand the Federal SYNAR requirements and inspection protocols.

Training commences with introductions, a review of the agenda and articulation of expectations for the training. Responsibilities of youth inspectors, adult inspectors, and the Department are reviewed in the training. Purchase protocols are trained in depth. Training is reinforced with a series of role-plays in which youth inspectors' practice entering stores and attempting to make tobacco inspection purchases.

Additional training topics include safety and supervision of youth inspectors, maintaining professional boundaries with youth inspectors, and making inspections fun. Department staff provide guidelines to contractors including schedule inspections for no more than eight hours in a day, providing lunch for inspection teams, and appropriate use of work breaks as needed. Finally, the training covers logistical issues such as the number of inspections, locations, and projected dates of inspections. Adult escorts participate in an administrative meeting in which payment for services delivered is discussed as well as procedures for documenting, collecting and turning in inspection forms.

ADHS staff members conduct field monitoring of the inspection teams for approximately 30 - 50% of the field time. ADHS staff members provide feedback, answer questions, and verify adherence to field protocols during monitoring. Additionally, providers communicate directly with DBHS during the inspections regarding questions that arise.

5. Are there specific legal or procedural requirements instituted by the State to address the issue of youth inspectors' immunity when conducting inspections?

a. Legal ☐ Yes ☒ No (*If Yes, please describe*):

b. Procedural ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No (If Yes, please describe):**

The Arizona Department of Health Services sends a letter to county attorneys across the state informing them that SYNAR inspections will be taking place and inviting them to contact ADHS should they have questions or concerns.

6. Are there specific legal or procedural requirements instituted by the State to address the issue of the safety of youth inspectors during all aspects of the Synar inspection process?

a. Legal ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No (If Yes, please describe):**

b. Procedural ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No (If Yes, please describe):**

Inspection teams including youth inspectors and adult supervisors receive training in safety procedures prior to commencement of inspections. Teams are instructed to not inspect any business that they perceive to be unsafe. Businesses not inspected for these reasons are documented. The protocol also allows adult supervisors to inconspicuously enter a business before and separate from the youth inspector to assess safety.

7. Are there any other legal or procedural requirements the State has regarding how inspections are to be conducted (e.g., age of youth inspector, time of inspections, training that must occur)?

a. Legal ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No (If Yes, please describe):**

b. Procedural ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No (If Yes, please describe):**

All youth inspectors must be age 16. The gender balance of selected youth is 50% female and 50% male. Exceptions to the gender balance take place when unexpected events arise, such as a resignation of a youth inspector. Inspections occur at a variety of times during the day and days of the week including weekends. All youth inspectors are required to complete training provided by ADHS. ADHS staff perform field monitoring on approximately half of inspections.

APPENDIX D

STATE: _____

FFY: _____

List Sampling Frame Coverage Study (LIST FRAME ONLY)

1. Calendar year of the coverage study: _____ 2007 _____

2. Percent coverage found: _____ 92.9 _____ %

(Provide calculation of the percent coverage)

Coverage Eligible outlets in Sample/ (Eligible outlets + new outlets found)
=(1262)/(1262 + 97) = 92.9

3. Provide a description of the coverage study methods and results.

Arizona begins with a list-assisted sample, which is enhanced each year during the compliance study by the comprehensive review of all outlets within the zip code cluster*. Those outlets determined eligible for the study (e.g. sell tobacco) are added to the list and surveyed by the SYNAR field team.

This allows Arizona to calculate the coverage of the original list on an annual basis. For CY2007, the SYNAR teams found 187 new outlets not on the original vendor list.

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*Instructions are to visit all on the list for that cluster, and discover all other outlets selling tobacco products, effectively resulting in a comprehensive canvassing of every cluster inspected.